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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

As a supporter of Microsoft, I cannot say how pleased I was to see that the Justice Department finally came to its sense and resolved to settle with Microsoft. This case has gone on far too long for people like me, who depend on Microsoft's products in our daily lives.

I hope that the settlement will not be too harsh on Microsoft. With giving over their trade secrets to their competitors and allowing people who ship computers to configure Windows anyway they want, Microsoft could lose out on a lot of money. However, I feel that they will continue to succeed like they always have despite these handicaps.

I hope that the government will refrain in the future from attacking business that are integral to our economy like Microsoft is. This whole case, which has taken up so much of their time, could be the reason why we are currently in a recession. End this case and let Microsoft get back to work.

Yours truly,



Jane Tollefson